

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I am retired and on a fixed income. My annual cost of living increases are wiped out and more by increasing medical costs. I can not pay more for my essential emergency telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. This proposal would make my current service unaffordable for me.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers like me would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone mostly for safety, security and only a few calls for personal convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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